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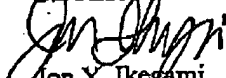
Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above-identified application.

The fee has been calculated as shown below.

	Claims After Amendment		Highest Previously Paid For	Present Extra	Small Entity Rate Fee	Large Entity Rate Fee
Total Claims	22	MINUS	32	0	x 9 =	x 18 = 0
Independent Claims	4	MINUS	6	0	x 43 =	x 86 = 0
Multiple Dependent Claim Present and Fee Not Previously Paid					\$145.00	\$290.00
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- ☒ Applicant(s) hereby petition for a two month extension(s) of time to respond to the aforementioned Office Action.
- ☒ Applicant(s) believe that no (additional) Extension of Time is required; however, if it is determined that such an extension is required, Applicant(s) hereby petition that such an extension be granted and authorize the Commissioner to charge the required fees for an Extension of Time under 37 CFR 1.136 to Deposit Account No. 500388.
- ☐ Enclosed is our Check No. \_\_\_\_\_ in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_ to cover the additional claim fee and/or extension of time fees.
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed on February 2, 2004, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which being on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 8 of this paper.